



Canton Telegraph.

No. 3028

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1891.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000

Subscribed Capital \$500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

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GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN
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Geo. Munro, Manager.

Bankers:

London: The Alliance Bank (Ltd.).

Scotland: The Commercial Bank of Scotland.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

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THE BANK is now prepared to make advances
on goods in neutral Godowns, and on
other securities, at rates to be obtained on
application, also to receive Money on Current
Account or Fixed Deposit.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 2 per cent.

6 " 4 "

3 " 3 "

CURRENT ACCOUNTS. 2 " 2 "

For Rates of Interest for other periods apply
to the Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1891. [1429]

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK

CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL \$2,000,000.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$500,000

LONDON:

Head Office 40, Threadneedle Street,
West End Office 15, Cockspur Street.BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN
AND THE COLONIES.THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT,
Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE,
Issues LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS FOR
COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and
Agency Business generally, on terms to be had
on application.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TAI ON SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

I Ü CHEUK TONG have this day been
appointed GENERAL MANAGER of the
above Company.

Ü CHEUK TONG,

General Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1891. [1449]

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has This Day established
himself as AUCTIONEER and GOODS
BROKER.

GEO. R. LAMMERT,

Hongkong, 7th December, 1891. [1454]

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY
COMPANY.M. EDWARD HOLLOWAY has been
appointed GENERAL AGENT of this Com-
pany in China and Japan, succeeding Mr.
GEORGE B. DODWELL, who resigned to
devote himself to the affairs of his Firm.Mr. HOLLOWAY has the Company's Power
of Attorney to deal with their business affairs in
China and Japan.The Company's agencies in India, Australia
and the Straits Settlements will be under his
direct supervision.

His Office will be in Hongkong.

T. G. SHAUGHNESSY,

Vice-President.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1891. [1522]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE,
CHINA AND JAPAN.THE Company having decided to establish
their own special Agents in Hongkong
and Shanghai, and to appoint a GENERAL AGENT
who shall devote his services exclusively to their
business, our Mr. GEO. B. DODWELL, has
this day resigned his position as General Agent
for China and Japan. It has been arranged that
the Firm will continue to act as the Commercial
Agents of the Company until January 1st
next.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

Agents.

T. G. SHAUGHNESSY,
Vice-President.

Canadian Pacific Railway.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1891. [1523]

NOTICE.

M. Son, HENRY HUMPHREYS, was
admitted into Partnership with me on
the 1st day of July last.

INO. D. HUMPHREYS.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1891. [1524]

THE Business heretofore carried on under
the name of INO. D. HUMPHREYS will
hereafter be conducted under the name of
John D. Humphreys & Sons.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1891. [1525]

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.'S
CHOICE WINESA YALA & Co's EXTRA-DRY CHAMPAGNE.
ADET SEWARD & Co's Choice After-Dinner CLARETS.

do. do.

BURGUNDIES.

L. C. & Co's FINE OLD DESERT PORTS.

SACCONI'S AMONTILLADO & MANZANILLA.

Dry Royal Sauvignon, Haut Sauterne.

RUDESHEIMER,
HOCKHEIMER,
LAUBENHEIMER.

CALIFORNIAN AFTER-DINNER CLARETS AND BURGUNDY.

COURVOISIER'S BRANDIES.

HENNESSY'S BRANDIES.

EXSHAW'S BRANDIES.

VERY OLD LIQUEUR BRANDY, 1848 Vintage.

THE CARLTON CLUB WHISKY (11 years old).

NAPIER JOHNSTONE'S OLD SCOTCH (square bottles).

L. C. & Co.'S TEACHER'S

HIGHLAND CREAM."

DUNVILLE'S & HENRY THOMSON & Co's IRISH.

STONEWALL CHO CE OLD BOURBON.

"RED HEART" RUM, "PLYMOUTH" GIN (Very Superior), French & Italian VERMOUTH.

GINGER WINE and GINGER BRANDY.

MILK PUNCH.

CHERRY CORDIAL.

APRICOT BRANDY, CHARTREUSE, CURACOA, MARASCHINO, "D.O.M.",

ANGOSTURA, BOKERS, ORANGE, DANVITA, CHIRETTA & BOLIVAR BITTERS.

BASS'S PALE ALE, GUINNESS'S DOUBLE STOUT.

THE JAPAN BREWERY & Co's LAGER BEER.

LANE,CRAWFORD&CO'

Hongkong, 4th December, 1891. [1526]

MOOTRIE, ROBINSON & CO.

(THE PIANO, ORGAN AND MUSIC WAREHOUSE).

PIANOS,

PIANOS,

PIANOS.

BY ALL THE LEADING MAKERS OF THE WORLD, INCLUDING—

NEW PIANOS, by

NEW PIANOS:—

The "UNIQUE" MODEL,

The "BOUDOIR".

GRANDS:—

BROADWOOD,

COLLARD & COLLARD,

PELEVÉ,

HOPKINSON,

(Transposing Pianos).

BRINSMEAD,

(Pianettes).

RUSSELLS,

(Grand).

SCHIEDMAYER,

COLLARD & COLLARD (Cottage).

RACHALS,

PELEVÉ

ROSENKRANZ,

STRAUSS,

LUDOLFF, AUGENER.

SCHRÖER

and several others.

PRICES RANGE FROM \$150 TO \$800.

All the above Instruments can be purchased by

MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

Selected by far the largest importers of Musical Instruments in the East, MOOTRIE, ROBINSON & Co. are enabled to offer customers every possible advantage in SELECTION and QUALITY

and at

HOME PRICES.

MONTHLY PAYMENTS.

PIANOS ON HIRE FROM \$8 PER MONTH.

Having just received (at our Hongkong and Shanghai houses) a shipment of over—

TWO TONS OF MUSIC, containing every possible style and variety, we will from this date,

offer a discount of 20 per cent. on all Sheet Music and Editions—PETERS,

FETTER, and several others.

In fact, every kind of Instrument and Fitting possible.

Call and Inspect our stock or obtain our Illustrated Catalogue before buying elsewhere.

MOOTRIE, ROBINSON & Co.,

UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,

HONGKONG.

(And at London, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama),

THE ONLY FIRM in the Far East devoting themselves entirely to the Music Trade,

Hongkong, 26th November, 1891. [1527]

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Insurances.

EXAMPLES OF THE COST
OF ASSURANCE TO A MAN AGED 30
NEXT BIRTHDAY.

STG. payable at death, would

cost per quarter at the rate

of—

£ 6 18 o (a) If premiums are payable for

whole life;

or £ 9 11 6 (b) If premiums are limited to 20

years;

or £ 11 4 6 (c) If premiums are limited to 15

years;

or £ 13 0 o (d) If the sum Assured is made

payable at age 50, or at

death if previous."

Secured payments.

THE same provisions if commenced at age 40

n. b. would cost respectively (a) £8 15 o,

(b) £11 5 0, (c) £12 2 4, (d) £13 0 0 per quarter.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,

Agents,

STANDARD LIFE OFFICE

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NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY

LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept

MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,

etc. Policies granted to all parts of the world

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1891.

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,

LIMITED,

CHEMISTS, &c.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR

PRESENTS,

D A N T Y AND GOOD,

from \$1 to \$100.

C HOCOLATES in Boxes.

In Baskets.

In Bookcases.

In Cabinets.

FROM 25 CENTS TO \$12.00.

WINE AND SPIRITS.

THE BEST OF THEIR KINDS.

Now 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

LONDON, HONGKONG AND AMOY.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

WE invite attention to our first supplies

of CONFECTIONERY AND CHRISTMAS GOODS.

RECEIVED BY THE LAST MAIL.

JORDAN ALMONDS, NOUGAT, BUTTER SCOTCH, ASSORTED TOFFEES,

DRAESES, PRALINES, and a large selection

of PURE CONFECTIONERY from the leading Manufacturers.

CADBURY'S SPECIAL CHOCOLATE CREMES.

PINE, APRICOT, CHERRY, LIME, GUAVA, and other FRUIT JELLIES in great variety.

TOM SMITH'S CHRISTMAS CRACKERS.

COLOURED OPALS mounted in plush, representing favourite subjects.

A large assortment of ENGLISH and JAPANESE CHRISTMAS CARDS, of hand-some and artistic designs, suitable to all tastes, and at moderate prices.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1891.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1891.

TELEGRAMS.

GENERAL VON CAPRIVI HONOURED.

London, December 1st.

The Emperor of Germany has made the Imperial Chancellor General von Caprivi a count.

ZANZIBAR.

In February next Zanzibar will be declared a free port.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Linen* arrived to-day from Shanghai.

At a largely attended meeting of licensing justices yesterday the adjourned application of K. Shellim for a licence for a house in Jubilee Street was granted.

Cholly—*I—I—I*—called to abash—er—er—Her Papa (deep in his papers)—Yes, yes; you may have her! Take my blessing! This is my busy day!!! Get out!!!

An emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No. 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, this evening, at 8.30 or 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

Sea Captain—There is no hope! The ship is doomed! The ship is doomed! In an hour we shall all be dead!

Seafish Passenger—Thank heaven!

We are informed by the agents (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.) that the E. & A. S. Co.'s steamer *Gaulther*, from Australia, left Port Darwin yesterday for this port, and may be expected to arrive on the 21st inst.

"So you were playing cards for money?" said the Judge.

"No, sir, we were playing for chips."

"Well, sir, it's all the same thing; you got your chips cashed for money at the end of the game, I suppose."

"No, sir."

"No! How's that?"

"At the end of the game I didn't have any chips, your Honor."

"You're discharged," said the Judge, and he snapped it out so quick that the Sheriff turned pale.

He—My lips never uttered a word of love to any woman before.

She—How did you manage—speak through your nose?

The *Assyrian*, which was burnt in Kobe harbour, and had to be scuttled, has been raised and is now being overhauled. The *Cos City*, which capsized and sank in Nagasaki harbour, has now been completely repaired and despatched to Shanghai.

Mrs. De Riche (who has been trying to snub Trotter)—Are you really going to the Schuyler Van Pelt's dinner? Why, I didn't imagine that you knew them?

Trotter (sarcastically)—Aw—yes—know—them slightly. Going to marry their daughter, you know?

Judge—Have you anything to say before sentence is passed?

Prisoner—Nuthin, only I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for ignorance of the law.

Judge—Your ignorance of the law is no excuse.

Prisoner—Taint my ignorance I'm talkin' about; it's yours.

The Post Office will be closed on Friday (Christmas day) and Saturday the 26th inst., except from 8 to 9 a.m. Correspondence can be posted on Sunday. Correspondence for the Peak and Kowloon may be posted up to 9 a.m. The Night-Box will be kept open. The Money Order office will be closed entirely on both days.

Duncan (to tombstone agent)—I want to order a tombstone for my mother-in-law.

Agent—Very well. What sort of an inscription?

Duncan—"Gone to her eternal rest."

Agent—Anything else?

Duncan (after a long pause)—You might add "Thank God!"

Miss Fannie Inswin (to Uncle Jay, from the country, who has been asked to come in the absence of the host)—Uncle Jay, I'd like some more dressing.

Uncle Jay (glaring critically at Miss Fannie's decolleté dinner costume)—Well b'gosh! I sh'd think you would. You need it bad enuff, Lord knows.

On Christmas day (Friday) at St. Peter's Seamen's Church Divine Service will be held at 11 a.m. (Offertory for "Ship-wrecked Mariners' Society.") At the Seamen's Reading Room, a social evening will be held, commencing at 7 o'clock, when there will be Christmas Hymns and carols, recitations, readings, &c., with instrumental musical. All are cordially invited.

"Fair charmer," exclaimed the enraptured youth, "be mine!"

"Alas, Adolphus!" sighed the lovely creature, "there are obstacles in the way!"

"Name them!" he cried impetuously.

"Nannette, Iphigenia, Lucille, Helen and Arabella—my grandchildren, you know. They might not like you."

And the wild winds moaned and whistled without, and the sun sank like a huge ball of frozen blood in the gloomy west.

"So this is the School or Journalism?"

"Yes, sir," replied the guide.

"I suppose these young men who are writing so industriously are to fill responsible positions?"

"Oh, not necessarily. That is the reporters' class."

"And who are the men who merely make one straight line after the other?"

"S—s—h—you might distract them. They are developing their muscles to fit themselves as editors. That is the blue pencil exercise."

At the Regular Meeting of Victoria Lodge, No. 1026, held on Tuesday, the 22nd December, 1891, Bro. N. J. Scott was installed as Worshipful Master, and the following officers were invested:

Senior Warden.....Bro. J. W. Bott.

Junior Warden.....F. Lensey Liley.

Treasurer.....Wor. De Westley Layton.

Secretary.....A. O'D. Gourdin.

Senior Deacon.....S. L. Darby.

Junior Deacon.....C. D. Wilkinson.

Dir. of Ceremonies.....F. D. Goddard.

Steward.....Inner Guard.....W. Hewton.

Tyler.....J. R. Grimes.

TO-DAY'S SHIPPING RETURNS:

Inward.

Gastie.....steamer, from San Francisco.

Siam.....Singapore.

Pollar.....Moj.

Pekin.....Canton.

Endeavour.....Moj.

H. L. Stearns.....Saigon.

Aggregating 10,624 tons, register.

Outward.

Nanchang.....steamer, for Canton.

Singapore.....Canton.

Mongkok.....Swatow, &c.

Marte.....Chefoo.

Aggregating 3,679 tons, register.

IT is a serious sign that the times are out of joint when a London financial paper begins to talk like this:—"We very much doubt if Russia will get through the coming winter without seeing the assassination of the Tsar and a Republic declared. And if so, Germany, ruled to-day by a young pug, will follow suit. And let these two countries decide for the new regime, and hang goes the lot. Although we all seem to believe that England is monarchical, do not let us hug the idea too closely to our bosoms. The Queen has scandalised the nation with the berths and salaries given to these German Teckes, or Christians, or Battenburgs, and any fine day we may see the whole system of government changed. Well, what will it matter to the crowd? Victoria has 'absorbed' (good word,) that as much cash as she can ever spend, and if the Prince of Wales has chosen to discount an inheritance he may never get it, his own look-out."

The public meeting which was called for this afternoon did not realise the success that its originators and supporters hoped for—thanks to the action of Mr. H. L. Denby, Secretary of the City Hall. The St. Andrews Hall was engaged early this morning and the usual fee was duly accepted by Mr. Denby, who, however, discovered at the last moment that as a public meeting should be called by the Registrar, the Committee did not now see their way to grant the request that had been made to them. "Comment upon this" said Mr. Denby, "is superfluous, and we, with all confidence, content it to the due attention of the general public. Upon being made acquainted with the difficulties which stood in the way of a meeting being called in St. Andrew's Hall, a member of the Public Defence Committee, called upon Mr. Horwood, the Capt. Supt. of Police, and solicited the privilege of holding a public meeting outside the City Hall. This request, however, being outside the province of Mr. Horwood's power, was necessarily refused. At the appointed time Mr. W. P. Maclean, who acted as spokesman for the Committee, explained that the meeting could not be held in St. Andrew's Hall owing to the necessary formalities not being adhered to, but stated that a meeting would be convened for to-morrow, or an early date, due notice of which would be issued.

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Stella—George kissed me last evening for the first time.

Caro—Did you enjoy it?

Stella—Yes, but I wasn't quite ready when he kissed, and we failed to harmonize.

Young Lady—Do you think it immodest for ladies to ride bicycles?

Cyclist—Oh, the riding is all right enough, but—er—I don't think they ought to take headers.

◀ PERSONAL EXPLANATION. ▶

MINIHINN V. FRASER-SMITH.

The attention of the Editor has been directed to a comment which appeared in this journal on the 1st inst., in reference to an observation made by Chief Justice Sir James Russell in response to the defendant's application for right of appeal. This comment, which it is not necessary to detail, was entirely uncalled for and unjustified, and had the Editor of the *Telegraph* been at his post it is, we hope, unnecessary to say that it would have never appeared in print. We are only acting honestly in publicly stating that the offensive remark above referred to was entirely the result of a desire on the part of an employe on the staff of this paper, and it is now publicly apologised for. Furthermore, it is only fair to state that this explanation is quite voluntary, and has not in any way been dictated by any influence whatever.

As Christmas is now only two days from us, it must be that preparations are mostly well advanced and everybody is getting ready to smile. The Festive Day happens to fall rather inconveniently just now, when we are scarcely quite recovered yet from the shock of Monday; but in two days there is time to breathe freely again, and it is surprising what can be done with a good sound healthy constitution. The annual festival is after all a very great and benevolent institution, for there is, whatever our friend *Granny* may say about "usual" and "same old" conventional stereotyped "enjoyment" and more to that effect—there is, none the less, a refreshing shower of pleasures and enjoyments, inseparable from Christmas associations, that never fails to make the period the brightest in the year, "the silver lining to a twelve month's cloud."

We must apologise for having left over-the-pasteboard remarks until to-day, and plead as our excuse that pressing engagements have kept us hard at work in the Courts lately. We may congratulate the public on having us still among itself, and not (as last year) in gaol. For these and all other mercies, may we be truly thankful!

And now to business. How pleasant it is to have a reasonable excuse—say, an imperative duty—to look at the bright side of things and on nothing else, absolutely never to think of the other side, for a few days at least. Forgetting and forgetting—encouraging example of our friends that remain. Look at the Hongkong Trading Co. Oh, you have looked already, eh? Well, look again. It is open till seven o'clock every evening, so you have nothing to prevent you from enjoying yourself. To begin with the children (for it is not the Children's Festival) if toys are wanted, here is the finest variety and most amusing messenger of infantile trifles ever brought to the East or collected on the spot. From the simple timber doll to the most magnificent of magic lanterns, from the rubber balloon to the full-grown and gorgeously decorated Christmas tree, everything is there. Then again, if you want to give your bachelor friend a treat, name your fancy, and there it is at once. And last, best of all, think of HER. Look at the trading Company's immense stock of works of art—sweets for the sweet, and jewels to the Fear! Gloves, boxes, tea sets, albums, bonbons, perfumes, false hair, and so on—everything that could possibly bring joy to the hearts of those you wish to please.

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Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—166 per cent. prem. buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £2,100 paid up—50 per cent. div., sales and buyers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' share, \$25 per share, sellers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—\$15 per share, sales and sellers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits Ltd.—Founders' share, \$15 per share, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 £—14 per cent. premium, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 £—2 per cent. premium, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 £—14 per cent. premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$90 per share, buyers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$61 per share, sales and buyers.
North China Insurance—£1s. 2½ per share, buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$107 per share, buyers.
Yangtze Insurance Association—\$102, buyers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—£1s. 150 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$350 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$90 per share, sellers and sellers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$34 per share, sellers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—45 per share, sellers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—25 per cent. discount, sellers.
Douglas Steamship Company—\$37 per share, sales and buyers.
The Sea Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—880 per cent. premium, buyers.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$50 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.
The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$8 per share, sellers and buyers.
The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—nominal.
The Shantung Hotel Co., Limited—\$10, sellers.
Funfon and Sungku Dua Samanta Mining Co.—\$2 per share, buyers.
The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—50 cents per share, sales and sellers.
The Balimor Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, nominal.
Tengku Coal Mining Co.—\$270 per share, buyers.
The Jelabo Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$4 per share, buyers.
The Samaia Tin Mining Co., Limited—40 cents per share, sellers.
London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—\$10, sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$175 per share, sellers.
Lion Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$52 per share, buyers.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$19 per share, buyers.
Crockshank & Co., Limited—nominal.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales and sellers.
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$72 per share, sales and sellers.
The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$23 per share, buyers.
The Lubok Planting Co., Limited—nominal.
The China-Borneo Co., Limited—nominal.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$40 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$61 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$12 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Gas Company—\$120 per share, nominal.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$80 per share, sellers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$75 per share.
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$10 per share, nominal.
The Green Island Cement Co.—\$12 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$3 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$2 per share, nominal.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$65 per share, sales and sellers.

EXCHANGE.

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| ON LONDON—Bank, T. T. | 1/8 |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 1/8 |
| Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight | 1/8 |
| Credits at 4 months' sight | 1/8 |
| Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight | 1/8 |
| ON PARIS—Bank, T. T. | 3/8 |
| Bank Bills, on demand | 3/8 |
| Credits at 4 months' sight | 3/8 |
| On India, T. T. | 2/8 |
| On Demand | 2/8 |
| ON SHANGHAI—Bank, T. T. | 7/8 |
| Private, to date's sight | 7/8 |

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd Co.'s steamer *Schleswig*, with the German mail of the 24th ult., left Singapore on the 20th instant, and may be expected here on the 26th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Geselle*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 26th ult., left Yokohama on the 17th instant, and may be expected here on the 24th.

THE DUTCH MAIL.

1860 China Co.'s steamer *Weseng*, from Cebu and Straits, left Singapore on the 2nd instant at 4 p.m., and is due here on the 29th.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Empress of China*, with the best Canadian mail, left Vancouver on Thursday, the 17th instant for Yokohama and Shanghai.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The F. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Gazelle*, from Australia, left Port Darwin on the 22nd instant, and is expected here on the 31st.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The "Ben" line steamer *Weseng*, from London and Batavia, left Singapore on the 16th instant at 6 p.m., and is due here on the 23rd.

The "Salis" line steamer *Terrington* left Singapore on the 14th instant, and is due here on the 21st or 22nd.

The "Ben" line steamer *Weseng* left Singapore on the 19th instant, and is due here on the 26th.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Nauter* left Singapore on the morning of the 16th inst., and is expected here on the 26th.

The N. G. Italian steamer *Bermuda* left Singapore on the 20th instant, and is due here on the 27th.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamers *Tenier* left Singapore on the 20th instant, and is due here on the 27th.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Canton* left Bombay on the 11th instant, and is due here on the 28th.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

YUEN-SANG, British steamer, 1,105, J. Sleath, 2nd Dec.—Canton 2nd Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

GALIC, British steamer, 4,200, Pearce, 2nd Dec.—San Francisco 26th Nov., Mails and General—Burdett & Co.

DORIA, German steamer, 7,140, P. Voss, 17th Dec.—Kutchinotra 12th December, Coal—Molchers & Co.

CRUSAN, German steamer, 623, W. Weidt, 16th Dec.—Holloway 15th Dec., Ballast—C. M. S. N. Co.

DESSAU, German steamer, 965, C. Christensen, 20th Dec.—Samaria 26th Nov., Sugar—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.

DOU-JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654, R. Beltran, 21st Dec.—Manila 18th Dec., General—Brandio & Co.

DORIA, German steamer, 7,140, T. Rubens, 2nd Dec.—Kobe 11th December, General—Wieler & Co.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN, British steamer, 3,000, Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R., 10th Dec.—Vancouver 10th Nov., Yokohama 10th Dec., and Shanghai 2nd Dec.—Dowdell, Carrill & Co.

EMPEROR OF CHINA, British steamer, 966, G. A. Taylor, 20th Dec.—Manila 17th Dec., General—Shewan & Co.

FAMA, British steamer, 1,17, Captain MacIsaac, 20th Dec.—Hongkong Government tender.

PIKING, German steamer, 954, F. Schulz, 2nd Dec.—Canton 23rd December, General—Siemens & Co.

EDENDALE, British steamer, 1,167, R. Humphrey, 23rd Dec.—Moj 17th Dec., Coals—Dowell, Carrill & Co.

LINDEN, British cruiser, Captain Veroca A' Tidal, 23rd December—Shanghai 18th December.

HOLSTEIN, German steamer, 1,103, J. Brahm, 23rd Dec.—Saigon 18th Dec., General—Tung Kee & Co.

PATHAN, British steamer, 1,762, J. Roy, 23rd Dec.—Singapore 14th Dec., General—Dowdell, Carrill & Co.

DROT, Norwegian steamer, 1,289, H. Hansen, 23rd Dec.—Kutchinotra 18th Dec., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kashia.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

AERAS, Japanese steamer, for Nagasaki.

ZAYON, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.

YUEN-SANG, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

PICCOLA, German steamer, for Haliphong.

DEPARTURES.

December 23, BENGAL, British str., for Kobe.

December 23, YUNNAN, German steamer, for Manilla.

December 23, NANCHANG, British steamer, for Canton.

December 23, SLIGON, British steamer, for Canton.

December 23, MONGKUT, British steamer, for Swatow.

December 23, MARIS, German str., for Chofo.

December 23, MEMNON, British str., for Kodat.

December 23, YUEN-SANG, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

December 23, ASAGAO, Japanese steamer, for Nagasaki.

December 23, ZAYON, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.

PARNMORE—ARRIVED.

Per *Gasse*, str., from San Francisco, &c.—Miss L. Halverston, Miss Gray, Meiss, Richard Grey, F. A. Wendt a Japanese, and 720 Chinese.

Per *Siam*, str., from Singapore—Mr. Heron, and 60 Chinese.

Per *Holstein*, str., from Saigon—131 Chinese.

Per *Paham*, str., from Singapore—1 European and 40 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Halloong*, str., for Amoy—Lieut. E. H. Oliver, Fort Tsimshau—Messrs. Low Ping Sia and Low Ping.

REPORTS.

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The British steamer *Edendale* reports that she left Moj on the 17th instant. From Moj to lat. 28° north, had light easterly winds and fine weather; thence to Tamsat had strong northerly gale and high sea; from there to Lam-puks had fresh monsoon, and thence to port had light north-north-west winds and fine weather; arrived here yesterday at 7.30 p.m.

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